COUNTY OF YORK MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 1, 2002 (BOS Mtg. 10/15/02)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James O. McReynolds, County Administrator

SUBJECT: Virginia 2007 Community Program

As the Board is aware, the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown as the first permanent English settlement in North America will be celebrated in 2007. In 1996, the Virginia General Assembly designated the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation as the state agency responsible for planning and coordinating the Commonwealth's role in commemorating this anniversary.

One of the major initiatives of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation to showcase Virginia in 2007 is called the Virginia 2007 Community Program. This initiative will provide an opportunity for communities throughout the state to commemorate their individual histories with the goal of providing opportunities to expand tourism and economic development throughout Virginia.

The formal launch of the Virginia 2007 Community Program is expected to occur in May 2003, with applications being made available sometime after the first of the year. Any civic group, neighborhood, community, city, town, or county that is accepted into this program will be asked to look at its past, showcase its present, and adopt a project that leaves a lasting public legacy.

In considering the County's participation in this program, a preliminary plan and organizational chart for a proposed 2007 Planning Committee have been drafted for your review. Should the Board desire to participate in the Virginia 2007 Community Program, it is recommended that the Board adopt proposed Resolution R02-181.

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Attachments:

- ? Preliminary Plan
- ? 2007 Committee Organizational Chart
- ? Proposed Resolution R02-181